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The data contained in this bulletin are revised yearly.

TABLE 1
EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT IN OCTOBER 1985

NOTE: These labor force data are supplied by the Department of Labor from their Current Population Survey.

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (Amounts in thousands)	OCTOBER 1985	SEPTEMBER 1985	AUGUST 1985	OCTOBER 1984
Total civilian labor force[a]	12,874	12,721	12,655	12,623
Total civilian employment	11,888	11,757	11,733	11,680
Total unemployment	986	964	922	943
Seasonally adjusted rate (percent)	7.7	7.6	7.3	7.5
Range[b]	7.1–8.3	7.0–8.2	6.7–7.9	6.9–8.1
U.S. seasonally adjusted rate	7.1	7.1	7.0	7.3
UNADJUSTED (Amounts in thousands)				
Total civilian labor force[a]	12,891	12,691	12,802	12,659
Total civilian employment	11,968	11,799	11,869	11,777
Total unemployment	923	892	933	882
Unadjusted rate (percent)	7.2	7.0	7.3	7.0
Range[b]	6.6–7.8	6.4–7.6	6.7–7.9	6.4–7.6

a/ Total labor force (and components) by place of residence and including workers involved in trade disputes. Employment includes self-employed, unpaid family and domestic workers.

b/ Range as shown is at the 90 percent level of confidence.

HIGHLIGHTS California's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for October 1985 was 7.7 percent. This is a 0.1 percent increase from last month and 0.2 percent above the rate in October 1984. During October 1985, seasonally adjusted employment increased 131,000 while unemployment increased 22,000. Seasonally adjusted, the total number of people employed in California during October 1985 reached 11,888,000, compared with 11,757,000 in September 1985 and 11,680,000 in October 1984. Seasonally adjusted unemployment totaled 986,000 in October 1985, compared with 964,000 in September 1985 and 943,000 in October of last year.

During October 1985, total nonagricultural wage and salary employment increased by 29,900 to a new record high of 10,965,000. The increase over the month is primarily the result of hiring in education at the start of the fall term. Employment in the service sector increased by 11,200 during the month establishing a record high employment level of 2,673,300. During the last twelve months, employment in services has increased by 98,300, retail trade has gained 83,200, and construction is up 18,600. During September 1985, the average weekly wage in manufacturing rose to $410.87.

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TABLE 2
EMPLOYMENT STATUS OF THE WORKING-AGE POPULATION IN CALIFORNIA[1/]

(Numbers in Thousands)

EMPLOYMENT STATUS	OCTOBER 1985	SEPTEMBER 1985	AUGUST 1985	OCTOBER 1984
Total				
Labor Force	12,891	12,691	12,802	12,659
Employed	11,968	11,799	11,869	11,777
Unemployed	923	892	933	882
Unemployment Rate	7.2	7.0	7.3	7.0
Male, Age 20 and Over				
Labor Force	6,816	6,776	6,731	6,754
Employed	6,385	6,379	6,310	6,332
Unemployed	431	397	421	422
Unemployment Rate	6.3	5.9	6.3	6.2
Female, Age 20 and Over				
Labor Force	5,293	5,156	5,216	5,157
Employed	4,982	4,812	4,862	4,829
Unemployed	311	345	354	329
Unemployment Rate	5.9	6.7	6.8	6.4
Both Sexes, Age 16–19				
Labor Force	782	759	854	748
Employed	600	608	696	616
Unemployed	181	151	158	132
Unemployment Rate	23.2	19.8	18.5	17.6
White				
Labor Force	10,985	10,832	10,869	10,675
Employed	10,244	10,088	10,111	9,971
Unemployed	741	744	759	705
Unemployment Rate	6.7	6.9	7.0	6.6
Nonwhite				
Labor Force	1,906	1,859	1,933	1,983
Employed	1,724	1,711	1,758	1,806
Unemployed	182	148	175	178
Unemployment Rate	9.6	8.0	9.0	8.9

1/ Data supplied by the Department of Labor from their current population survey. No comparable data available for areas within California.

TABLE 3
EARNINGS AND HOURS[a/] OF PRODUCTION AND RELATED WORKERS IN MANUFACTURING IN CALIFORNIA

Area	Average weekly earnings			Average hours per week			Average hourly earnings		
	Sept. 1985	Aug. 1985	Sept. 1984	Sept. 1985	Aug. 1985	Sept. 1984	Sept. 1985	Aug. 1985	Sept. 1984
California	$410.87	$406.42	$396.77	40.4	40.2	40.2	$10.17	$10.11	$9.87

a/ Average hours and earnings are based upon data for full-time and part-time production and related workers in manufacturing industries. Average gross weekly and hourly earnings include overtime pay and premium wages for late-shift work. Attention is directed to the fact that these are not wage rates but are averages of gross earnings.

TABLE 4
MONTHLY WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT ANALYSIS FOR OCTOBER PRELMINARY
EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS OF JOBS
—DATA NOT ADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY—

INDUSTRY TITLE	CURRENT MONTH OCTOBER 85	PREVIOUS MONTH SEPTEMBER 85	YEAR AGO OCTOBER 84	NUMERICAL CHANGE		PERCENT CHANGE	
				MONTH/MONTH	YEAR/YEAR	MONTH/MONTH	YEAR/YEAR
Total Nonagricultural Employment	10,965.0	10,935.1	10,703.7	29.9	261.3	0.3	2.4
Mining	49.1	48.9	49.8	0.2	−0.7	0.4	−1.4
Metal Mining	1.6	1.6	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Fuel Mining	40.9	40.7	41.5	0.2	−0.6	0.5	−1.4
Nonmetal Mining	6.6	6.6	6.7	0.0	−0.1	0.0	−1.5
Construction	485.2	490.7	466.6	−5.5	18.6	−1.1	4.0
General Building Contractors	130.2	132.3	121.8	−2.1	8.4	−1.6	6.9
Heavy Construction	66.5	65.5	67.4	1.0	−0.9	1.5	−1.3
Special Trade Contractors	288.5	292.9	277.4	−4.4	11.1	−1.5	4.0
Manufacturing	2,066.7	2,083.2	2,067.3	−16.5	−0.6	−0.8	−0.0
Nondurable Goods	649.6	666.4	649.3	−16.8	0.3	−2.5	0.0
Durable Goods	1,417.1	1,416.8	1,418.0	0.3	−0.9	0.0	−0.1
Food and Kindred	184.0	202.1	179.9	−18.1	4.1	−9.0	2.3
Canned, Cured, Frozen Sea Foods	5.4	5.6	5.8	−0.2	−0.4	−3.6	−6.9
Preserved Fruits and Vegetables	61.7	80.0	57.0	−18.3	4.7	−22.9	8.2
Other Food and Kindred Products	116.9	116.5	117.1	0.4	−0.2	0.3	−0.2
Textile Mill Products	14.6	14.6	14.1	0.0	0.5	0.0	3.5
Apparel and Other Textile Products	106.1	105.1	109.9	1.0	−3.8	1.0	−3.5
Paper and Allied Products	38.2	38.5	38.7	−0.3	−0.5	−0.8	−1.3
Printing and Publishing	141.5	140.9	137.9	0.6	3.6	0.4	2.6
Chemicals and Allied Products	63.9	63.5	64.0	0.4	−0.1	0.6	−0.2
Petroleum and Coal Products	28.0	28.1	29.5	−0.1	−1.5	−0.4	−5.1
Rubber and Misc. Plastic Products	64.5	65.1	67.5	−0.6	−3.0	−0.9	−4.4
Leather and Leather Products	8.8	8.5	7.8	0.3	1.0	3.5	12.8
Lumber & Wood Prod. exc. Furniture	55.9	56.7	55.9	−0.8	0.0	−1.4	0.0
Furniture and Fixtures	60.4	60.0	60.5	0.4	−0.1	0.7	−0.2
Stone, Clay and Glass Products	50.7	51.0	51.7	−0.3	−1.0	−0.6	−1.9
Primary Metal Industries	40.6	40.5	41.9	0.1	−1.3	0.2	−3.1
Fabricated Metal Products	140.1	140.2	144.6	−0.1	−4.5	−0.1	−3.1
Machinery except Electrical	229.6	230.1	237.7	−0.5	−8.1	−0.2	−3.4
Electrical Equipment and Supplies	397.8	399.2	404.5	−1.4	−6.7	−0.4	−1.7
Transportation Equipment	295.0	291.8	274.1	3.2	20.9	1.1	7.6
Motor Vehicles and Equipment	34.6	31.4	32.7	3.2	1.9	10.2	5.8
Aircraft and Parts	156.4	156.8	143.4	−0.4	13.0	−0.3	9.1
Ship & Boat Building & Repairing	18.3	17.9	13.9	0.4	4.4	2.2	31.7
Guided Miss., Space Vehicles Parts	74.5	74.1	73.0	0.4	1.5	0.5	2.1
Other Transportation Equipment	11.2	11.6	11.1	−0.4	0.1	−3.4	0.9
Instruments and Related Products	109.5	110.0	108.1	−0.5	1.4	−0.5	1.3
Misc. Manufacturing Industries	37.5	37.3	39.0	0.2	−1.5	0.5	−3.8
Transportation and Public Utilities	555.4	561.0	554.0	−5.6	1.4	−1.0	0.3
Transportation	317.5	322.7	312.3	−5.2	5.2	−1.6	1.7
Railroads	22.8	23.2	24.2	−0.4	−1.4	−1.7	−5.8
Trucking and Warehousing	131.6	132.7	126.4	−1.1	5.2	−0.8	4.1
Other Transportation	163.1	166.8	161.7	−3.7	1.4	−2.2	0.9
Communications	158.3	158.5	163.2	−0.2	−4.9	−0.1	−3.0
Electric, Gas and Sanitary Services	79.6	79.8	78.5	−0.2	1.1	−0.3	1.4
Wholesale Trade	682.9	682.9	660.0	−0.0	22.9	−0.0	3.5
Retail Trade	1,977.1	1,979.3	1,893.9	−2.2	83.2	−0.1	4.4
General Merchandise Stores	241.7	236.3	237.4	5.4	4.3	2.3	1.8
Food Stores	276.0	276.6	270.9	−0.6	5.1	−0.2	1.9
Other Retail Trade	1,459.4	1,466.4	1,385.6	−7.0	73.8	−0.5	5.3
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	716.2	716.8	702.7	−0.6	13.5	−0.1	1.9
Finance	356.4	354.9	348.8	1.5	7.6	0.4	2.2
Insurance Agents, Carriers, Brokers	191.1	191.4	186.8	−0.3	4.3	−0.2	2.3
Real Estate	150.2	152.3	149.2	−2.1	1.0	−1.4	0.7
Comb. Holding and Other Investment Co.	18.5	18.2	17.9	0.3	0.6	1.6	3.4
Services	2,673.3	2,662.1	2,575.0	11.2	98.3	0.4	3.8
Hotels and Other Lodging Places	153.5	154.1	141.0	−0.6	12.5	−0.4	8.9
Personal Services	123.0	122.3	114.7	0.7	8.3	0.6	7.2
Business Services	668.5	666.6	643.8	1.9	24.7	0.3	3.8
Auto and Misc. Repair Services	164.4	164.8	156.6	−0.4	7.8	−0.2	5.0
Motion Pictures	84.3	82.6	81.6	1.7	2.7	2.1	3.3
Amusement and Recreation Services	115.0	121.8	106.6	−6.8	8.4	−5.6	7.9
Health Services	626.4	627.0	616.5	−0.6	9.9	−0.1	1.6
Other Services	738.2	722.9	714.2	15.3	24.0	2.1	3.4
Government	1,759.1	1,710.2	1,734.4	48.9	24.7	2.9	1.4
Federal Government	339.5	339.6	332.4	−0.1	7.1	−0.0	2.1
State and Local Governments	1,419.6	1,370.6	1,402.0	49.0	17.6	3.6	1.3
County	223.6	225.0	219.1	−1.4	4.5	−0.6	2.1
City	195.2	197.3	190.0	−2.1	5.2	−1.1	2.7
Education	728.4	674.9	723.0	53.5	5.4	7.9	0.7
Education State	143.7	135.7	143.0	8.0	0.7	5.9	0.5
Education Local	584.7	539.2	580.0	45.5	4.7	8.4	0.8
Other State and Local	272.4	273.4	269.9	−1.0	2.5	−0.4	0.9
State exc ed	178.6	179.4	176.5	−0.8	2.1	−0.4	1.2
Special District	93.8	94.0	93.4	−0.2	0.4	−0.2	0.4
Total Agriculture	334.0	448.3	389.2	−114.3	−55.2	−25.5	−14.2

SOURCE: Employment Development Department, Employment Data and Research Division
NOTE: Current month's data are preliminary.

TABLE 5
MONTHLY LABOR FORCE DATA FOR COUNTIES
SEPTEMBER 1985

COUNTY	CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT	
			NUMBER	PERCENT*
STATE TOTAL	12,690,500	11,798,500	892,000	7.0
Alameda	582,625	541,900	40,725	7.0
Alpine	475	425	50	9.0
Amador	8,025	7,400	625	7.9
Butte	66,500	60,400	6,100	9.2
Calaveras	8,600	7,725	875	10.2
Colusa	8,325	7,600	725	8.8
Contra Costa	344,175	322,675	21,500	6.2
Del Norte	7,025	6,200	825	11.9
El Dorado	46,300	43,300	3,000	6.5
Fresno	324,000	292,400	31,600	9.7
Glenn	10,975	9,700	1,275	11.6
Humboldt	47,075	42,725	4,350	9.2
Imperial	48,850	28,600	20,250	41.4
Inyo	9,375	8,725	650	6.9
Kern	218,300	193,700	24,600	11.3
Kings	31,775	27,625	4,150	13.0
Lake	17,175	15,150	2,025	11.8
Lassen	8,775	8,025	750	8.5
Los Angeles	3,925,000	3,663,000	262,000	6.7
Madera	40,000	36,675	3,325	8.3
Marin	121,950	117,400	4,550	3.7
Mariposa	5,050	4,650	400	7.8
Mendocino	33,400	30,525	2,875	8.6
Merced	74,250	66,925	7,325	9.9
Modoc	4,900	4,500	400	8.1
Mono	4,975	4,450	525	10.3
Monterey	148,900	136,400	12,500	8.4
Napa	40,950	38,200	2,750	6.7
Nevada	23,700	21,850	1,850	7.8
Orange	1,291,300	1,234,400	56,900	4.4
Placer	62,400	58,200	4,200	6.7
Plumas	7,375	6,675	700	9.4
Riverside	288,300	258,400	29,900	10.4
Sacramento	411,000	382,700	28,300	6.9
San Benito	14,750	13,250	1,500	10.1
San Bernardino	375,900	349,100	26,800	7.1
San Diego	893,100	842,800	50,300	5.6
San Francisco	387,950	363,550	24,400	6.3
San Joaquin	189,000	169,000	20,000	10.6
San Luis Obispo	79,350	74,950	4,400	5.5
San Mateo	323,975	310,300	13,675	4.2
Santa Barbara	163,700	154,600	9,100	5.6
Santa Clara	869,800	817,100	52,700	6.1
Santa Cruz	102,800	93,900	8,900	8.6
Shasta	52,350	46,325	6,025	11.5
Sierra	1,100	1,000	100	9.5
Siskiyou	16,600	14,450	2,150	13.0
Solano	104,425	96,100	8,325	8.0
Sonoma	157,000	147,300	9,700	6.2
Stanislaus	140,400	123,200	17,200	12.3
Sutter	23,575	20,225	3,350	14.2
Tehama	16,275	14,575	1,700	10.5
Trinity	5,325	4,775	550	10.4
Tulare	132,200	115,750	16,450	12.5
Tuolumne	15,650	14,250	1,400	9.0
Ventura	274,400	250,200	24,200	8.8
Yolo	58,000	54,000	4,000	6.9
Yuba	21,125	18,650	2,475	11.7

*NOTE: Census ratios used in deriving these estimates are from the 1980 Census. Unemployment rate is based on unrounded data. Data not seasonally adjusted.